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SUBJECT: SITREP NO. 12: LABOR CONFRONTATION WITH GOVERNMENT

1. AS OF 5 PM TODAY (JULY 3) ATMOSPHERE IS TENSE AS IMPASSE CONTINUES AND PRESSURES FROM WORKERS FOR GENERAL STRIKE INCREASE. SOME 5,000 WORKERS ARE MARCHING TOWARDS CENTER OF CITY ALONG PANAMERICANA HIGHWAY. CROWD REPORTED TO BE GROWING AS OTHER WORKERS JOIN IN ALONG ROUTE OF MARCH. POLICE WILL PROBABLY TRY TO STOP MARCH AT CITY LIMITS. WHETHER CROWD WILL DISPERSE OR NOT REMAINS TO BE SEEN. MEANWHILE, FEARING MASS MOVEMENT OF WORKERS INTO CITY FROM AVELLANEDA INDUSTRIAL SUBURB, POLICE HAVE REPORTEDLY RAISED ALL THREE DRAWBRIDGES ACROSS THE RIACHUELO.

2. OFFICE WORKERS IN CENTER OF CITY HAVE BEEN SEEN THROWING PAMPHLETS FROM WINDOWS CALLING FOR GENERAL STRIKE AND SOME BUSINESSES ARE CLOSING EARLY THIS EVENING-- PROBABLY MORE IN EFFORT TO AVOID TROUBLE THAN IN SYMPATHY FOR POSSIBLE STRIKE.

3. CGT DUE TO MEET AT 9 PM TO DECIDE NEXT STEP. GIVEN PRESENT MOOD IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO AVOID GENERAL STRIKE.
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